

LARGE INCIDENTS - OREGON

Klondike Fire: (SA Blue, IC Deuitt). A Red Flag Warning was still in effect for southwest Oregon until 11 a.m. today. The fire is at 109,159 acres (+2,841) and 42 percent contained. Yesterday, fire spread was checked by a heavy air show with fixed wing and helicopters. Tankers made more than 30 drops for 149,000 gallons of retardant. The fire spotted across Indigo Creek today. In the Horse Sign Butte area, where most of the retardant was dropped, the team is prepping for a burnout. A few Level 3 evacuations remain in place with Level 2 evacuation orders for the community of Agness. Five public information officers are staying in Agness to keep the community informed and to reduce risk of driving back and forth to Gold Beach. Locals have requested a fulltime presence at Cougar Creek Lodge and an expanded trapline for information. PIOs have been emphasizing work done with gel plant. Three public meetings are tentatively planned for this week, including Wednesday in Gold Beach, Thursday in Brookings, and Friday in Agness. A closure remains for Bear Camp road. More information is at: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/5998/>.

Figure 3 Landslide on the Forest Service 19 Road today

Terwilliger Fire: NR Team, IC Connell is managing the 8,446-acre Terwilliger Fire with 23-percent containment. Due to a widespread power outage, the ICP had no internet access to obtain the infrared data from last night’s flight. The fire is located on the Willamette National Forest near the Terwilliger (Cougar) Hot Springs and burning on both sides of Cougar Reservoir team. Fire crews made progress burning along the 1986 road and down handline to tie into the reservoir. On the south end of the fire, crews were burning along the 205 road and were successful locking the fire in on the far south tip. Five crews are timing out within the next few days, creating concern for the ability to refill resource orders to complete burnout operations. A crew rig parked on a ground hornet’s nest, resulting in several crewmembers getting stung. One crewmember was stung five times, resulting in a transport to the hospital for a reaction. A forest closure remains in effect. Information can be found at <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6160/>

Natchez Fire: NW Team 13 (IC Gales) The Natchez Fire grew another 703 acres yesterday to the west and is now 28,608 acres and 70 percent contained. The fire area continues to have a Haines Index of 5 and strong east winds. The fire grew active in the Goat Rocks area today. Retardant was used on the west flank, but were unable to conduct firing operations due to adverse winds yesterday. The fire was very active today, and climbed over Bear Butte through the Cyclone Gap, which could allow the fire to get established again in the Illinois Valley. The team that is timing out has noted that shrubs that were not available to burn when they arrived are now receptive to fire. Evacuation levels remain the same, with 144 residents in a Level 1. NW Team 7, IC Knerr, will assume command at 6 a.m. Tuesday. The Klamath National Forest is extending the west side of the closure area to the Six Rivers NF. More information can be found at <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/5948/>

Watson Creek (NW Team 6, IC Sheldon) The 58,761-acre fire is 95% contained, 13 miles west of Paisley on the Fremont-Winema NF. The level 1 evacuations for Lakeview Estates were to be evaluated this afternoon. The forest closure has been reduced in size. The NW Team 6 closed out at 2 p.m. today, and transfer command to the local unit will occur at 6 a.m. tomorrow. Last report unless significant activity occurs. More information is available at: <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6153/>

Taylor Creek (NW 12, IC Glazier) The fire is at 52,839 acres with 95 percent containment. Crews are assisting with suppression repair, including the removal of logs and water barring. The fire will transfer to a local type 3 team at 8 a.m. Tuesday. Closeout for NW 12 is a 1 p.m. Tuesday in Grants Pass. Last report unless significant activity occurs. More information is at the swojic.blogspot.com and <https://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/6058/> for Taylor Creek.

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